

**District V Advisory Board**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 06, 2008**  
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The **District V Advisory Board Meeting** was held at 6:30 p.m. at the Auburn Hills Golf Course Clubhouse, 443 S. 135<sup>th</sup> St. W. In attendance were nine (9) District Advisory Board members, about twelve (12) staff and approximately nine (9) citizens with four (4) signing in.

**Members Present**

Councilman Jeff Longwell  
Mike Hill  
Joey Ellzey  
Darrell Leffew  
Wendi White  
Jay Flinn  
Bryan Frye  
Pat Ream  
Kelly Watkins  
Jay Buckmaster

**Staff Present**

Fire Chief Blackwell, WFD  
Mary K Vaughn, Housing and Community Services  
Director  
Derrick Slocum, Planning  
Deputy Chief Stolz, WPD  
Division Chief Couey, WFD  
Kelli Glassman, Neighborhood Assistant  
Officer Tejada, WPD

**Guests**

Mayor Carl Brewer  
Ken Kimball                      528 N Rainbow Lake Rd  
Steve Matson                    462 N Rainbow Lake Rd  
Lowell Stukey                  1231 S Fieldcrest  
John Todd                        1559 Payne

**Members Absent**

Logan Fritz  
Dana Brown  
Mike Bell

**Order of Business**

**Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

**Motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 8, 2008 meeting. Motion passed 8-0\*. (\*Ream was not present yet)**

**Motion was made to approve the revised agenda for the October 08, 2008 meeting. Motion passed 8-0\*. (\*Ream was not present yet.)**

**Public Agenda**

**1. Scheduled items**

**No items scheduled**

## **2. Off Agenda items**

**David Dennis, Rainbow Lakes HOA President**, addressed the board regarding an item going before the City Council on Tuesday, October 7, involving assessment for a water and sewer project for the Rainbow Lakes HOA. The project was requested in 2005, but not actually completed until 2007, which resulted in a higher assessment cost than originally estimated.

**Mr. Dennis** is requesting a delay on this item until all involved parties can meet and discuss the overages. **CM Longwell** agreed to delay the item.

## **Staff Presentations**

### **3. Community Police Report**

**Officer Tejada** reported the following:

- 16 beat - burglaries at Ridge apartment complex were addressed by handing out flyers on how to prevent burglaries and this has helped decrease incidences by 50%.
- There was a shooting on Ridge and while the cause is unknown, it is not believed to be random.
- 18 beat- Lightening Joe's was closed after 2 homicides. The building is structurally safe, so the owner is trying to turn it into a family restaurant.
- No left turn at Maple and Woodchuck, so no backed up traffic
- 199 beat – someone is using screwdrivers to gain access to cars
- Central and Tyler intersection is under repair
- 19 beat –there is an apartment complex at 8626 Palms Drive that has had burglaries, so community policing is working with management to resolve.

**Deputy Chief Stolz** reported on crime statistics in the district for this year through August 1.

- Murder increased with the homicides at Ridge Rd. and Lightening Joe's
- Rape has increased by 25-33%. 80-85% of these are acquaintance rapes, so working with schools on programs to make teenagers more aware of this.
- Batteries are down
- Aggravated residential burglaries with people at home have increased which could lead to more serious crimes (this also includes garage burglaries.)
- Auto theft and drug crime statistics remain steady
- DUI's are down 12% and no fatal accidents in the district
- Vandalism and auto larceny have increased
- Motor vehicle accidents have decreased 15%
- Ordinances pertaining to night clubs are being revised and should be ready by January 1. This will require these businesses to submit an extensive business and floor plan and if disturbances begin and continue, the club will be shut down.

**Action: Receive and file.**

#### **4. Fire Department Report**

**Division Chief Couey** reported on Fire Department response to the September 12 flood. They set up command posts, assisted in nursing home and residential home rescues, sent out phone messages warning of flooding to affected areas and assisted other emergency personnel where and when needed.

**Action: Receive and file.**

### **New Business**

#### **5. Mayor's Vision**

**Mayor Brewer** presented to the group regarding his vision for the downtown area. He acknowledged how it is important to encourage growth and development in the downtown area and in the City as a whole to attract and keep our younger population from moving elsewhere. This includes attracting and retaining businesses, making elected officials accountable for their actions, engage and receive input from all citizens on their future vision for the city and get the media to accurately portray events occurring in the City of Wichita.

**White** suggested making this presentation at high schools and getting student feedback to encourage getting an education here in Wichita.

**Ream** asked how the Broadview hotel fits into this vision. Mayor Brewer responded that there is a franchise looking at coming in and remodeling this hotel that is experienced in running historic hotels. There will be steps continued to be taken to maintain its historic value and get it on the National Historic Register.

**Action: Receive and file.**

#### **6. School Bond Issue**

**David Dennis**, presented information on the November 2008 USD 259 bond proposal. In responding to board questions, **Mr. Dennis** explained that although we currently receive 25% back of the money from the current bond issue (which should also be good for this bond too even though there is talk of resending this reimbursement in the Legislature this year), since ending forced busing, there have been other improvements suggested to schools, including more technology, storm shelters, swimming pools, etc. **Mr. Dennis** further explained that while there is money set aside currently for these improvements, if the bond was passed, it would free this money to accomplish other additional things such as new windows at West High.

**Action: Receive and file.**

#### **7. Consolidated Plan Priority Needs**

**Mary K Vaughn, Housing and Community Services Director**, presented this item. Wichita is recognized as an "entitlement" city by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This is based on a federal formula which looks at total population, the number of persons below the poverty level, the number of overcrowded housing units, the age of housing and the population growth lag.

As a result of our "entitlement" status, we receive annual allocations for the following programs based on the formula results and available funds: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG); HOME

Investment Partnerships Program (HOME); American Dream Downpayment Initiative (ADDI); and Emergency Shelter Grant Program (ESG). The amount of the allocations is determined by the budget adopted by Congress in any given year.

In order to be eligible to receive CDBG, HOME, ADDI and ESG as an “entitlement” city, the City must have a five year Consolidated Plan. The current 2004-2008 Consolidated Plan will expire on June 30, 2009 and in order to continue to receive these funds, a new Plan must be approved by HUD and in place by then. The purpose of the plan to establish the community’s goals and provide a framework for evaluating funding requests. One of the required components of the plan is the establishment of community priority needs. In order to establish the priority needs, the City must seek input from a variety of stakeholders. Focus should be on areas of need which are eligible for federal funding. Because federal funds are being reduced every year, it is critical that the community priority needs be established, in order to provide guidance in funding decisions.

In the current year, just over \$4M was allocated to Wichita from all four sources.

**CM Longwell** asked if it is possible to redistribute money around in the different categories. **Ms. Vaughn** stated that in most cases as long as guidelines are followed, this is possible.

**Frye** asked if the funding is for a year or five years? **Ms. Vaughn** replied that funding is renewed every year, but a five year plan is required.

**Ellzey** asked if the leftover money rolls over to the next year? **Ms. Vaughn** responded that it does.

**Action: Reviewed and commented on community priority needs.**

## **Board Agenda**

### **Board Updates and Issues**

**CM Longwell** reminded everyone of the floodway meeting on Wednesday, October 8, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sedgwick County Extension office, 21<sup>st</sup> and Ridge.

**Frye** thanked **Mayor Brewer**, **Councilmember Longwell** and other city staff for participating in the Wagonmaster’s chili cook off. They won the award for people’s choice.

**Action: Receive and file.**

**With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelli Glassman, Neighborhood Assistant